

1. claim 1, as well as claims 11-13 depending therefrom,
were rejected in the Office Action dated August 14, 2003
(Paper No. 10); and,
2. in response to that Office Action, Applicants filed
Amendment A (dated January 14, 2004) where, as
indicated therein, Applicants:
 - (a) amended claim 1 to include the limitations of
claim 11, which depended therefrom; and,
 - (b) submitted new claim 90, which included the
limitations of claim 13, as well as all claims
from which it depended (i.e., claim 12 and
claim 1).

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In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the
present Election, in as much as the subject matter of the Species identified here has
already been searched and examined.

Please charge any fees required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17 to Deposit Account
No. 19-1345.

Respectfully submitted,



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